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Re: Title: Truck Chassis Configuration  
Inventors: George W. Szytkiel and David L. Cain  
Attorney Docket No.: 08152-00135  
Application No. To be assigned 10083904  
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3. Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b) with attached copies of two (2) assignments which were filed with the application for recordation on 2/27/02; and
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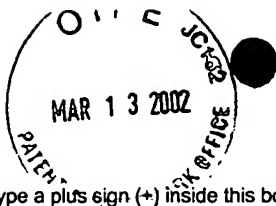
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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**

Applicant/Patent Owner: George W. Sztykiel and David L. Cain

Application No./Patent No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Filed/Issue Date: 02-27-02

Entitled: Truck Chassis Configuration

Spartan Motors, Inc., a Michigan corporation

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President and C.O.O.

Title

**ASSIGNMENT OF APPLICATION**

Whereas, I, George W. Szykiel, of the City of East Lansing, County of Ingham, State of Michigan, have invented certain improvements in

**Truck Chassis Configuration**

and executed, respectively, a United States patent application therefor on February 27, 2002.

Whereas, SPARTAN MOTORS, INC., a corporation of Michigan, having a place of business at 1000 Reynolds Road, Charlotte, MI 48813, desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in the said application and invention, and to any United States and foreign patents to be obtained therefor;

Now therefore, for a valuable consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, I, the above named, hereby sell, assign, and transfer to Spartan Motors, Inc., its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in the said application and invention therein disclosed for the United States and foreign countries, and all rights of priority resulting from the filing of said United States application, and I request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any Letters Patent granted upon the inventions set forth in said application to Spartan Motors, Inc., its successors and assigns; and I hereby agree that Spartan Motors, Inc. may apply for foreign Letters Patent on said invention and I will execute all papers necessary in connection with the United States and foreign applications when called upon to do so by Spartan Motors, Inc.

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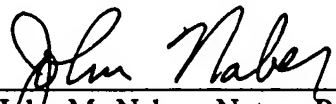
  
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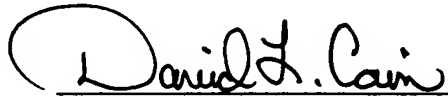
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